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Volume I.

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Outdoor Pageant a Delightful Affair

Three Performances Given on Hospital Lawn By Nurses and Aides Rouses Spec- tators To Pitch Of Enthusiasm

The Wood Spirit and Pandora's Box, a pageant, was given this week by the Nurses and Aides of this hospital under the direction of Mrs. C. C. Wheeler-Jones.

Three distinct performances were given; they included one for Lieut.-Col. and Mrs. A. P. Upshur, one for the Enlisted Men and Corpsmen and the Personnel of the National Canteen and one for the Patient Officers, Nurses, Student Nurses and Personnel of the Red Cross House and Mercy House.

The affair was opened by a reading by Miss Florence C. Hight. The first dance was that of the Spirit of the Wood; this was done by Miss Lillian Winter in a beautiful leopard skin borrowed especially for the occasion from Sergeant Maxim Maximoff, of the Physio-Therapy, Sergeant Maximoff having killed the animal himself after it had escaped from a circus that was touring Europe. The Wood Nymphs were next and their dancing was indeed a neat feature. The Wood nymphs were: Misses Florence Myers, Cecelia Hainer, Mary Mott, Matilda Demling, Laura Bonham, Mabel C. Ryan, Ruth Cook, Flora Thomas and Veronica Weimals.

The dancing of Miss Mary L. Hagney in the role of Pandora was well worth seeing; her esthetics were beautiful. Miss Mary Quill as Superstition also registered well. Miss Helen Humphreys as Fear and Miss Helen Heard as Narrow Mindedness also did well. Other characters were: Melancholy by Miss Theodosia Scott, Sadness by Miss Jean Wilde, Despair by Miss Emma Briggs; Tears by Miss Grace Levee; Discontent by Miss Edith Hoagland; Doubt by Miss Louise Davies; Discord by Miss Helen Drew; Roughness by Miss Frances Kimmelman. Miss Lucy Pardoe portrayed the Bear, while Miss Margaret Aaron portrayed Anger. Hate was done by Miss Elizabeth Nedwill; Revenge was portrayed by Miss Martha LaPlant. From time to time Miss Hight as Reader kept the audience well in touch with every episode. Miss Margaret Johnson took the part of Miserliness.

Others on the program were the Misses Betty Wells, Mabel Strom, Lucille Ballard, Kurkitt Ord, Tirzah



WHEN THE MUSICIAN CAN'T LEAVE HIS BED, THE AUDIENCE GOES TO HIM

RECRUITS.

Recruiting has taken on a decided boom due to the efforts of the recruiting mission.

The mission consisting of Sergeants Davidson, Federman, Bernstein, Privates Benedict, Chermol and the Misses Kimmelman and West worked through many districts of New York City and succeeded in recruiting 45 new men.

It is very easily understood just why these new men have chosen an enlistment at Colonia. The numerous opportunities at a good technical training, the good clean living conditions, including the best of clothing and medical attention in time of sickness, and the general conditions about the place are all that one would really want toward forming the basis for good citizenship.

"Over Here" extends greeting to the new men and wishes them much success in their new endeavors at Colonia.

Corporal Howe, who suffered the loss of both feet, has been transferred to his home at Carthage, N. Y., and discharged from the service. Mrs. Howe, who worked at Mercy House during her husband's convalescence, accompanied him.

Bullington, Ethel Stuart, Rose Salwen, Marie Hammil, Martha Meyers, Dorothy Frank, Grace Carson, Ethel West, Miss W. Mather, Flora Thomas, Beatrice Moody, Edith Hall, Oyha Miesse, Helen Manning, Rachel Fleharty, Elizabeth Winn, Veronica Wahler, Martha Finnegan, Frances Tichborne, Florence Smith, Margaret Freeman, Miss Natalie Lovell, Mrs. Janet Milligan, Miss Edith Williams, Frances Berger, Elizabeth Reid and Miss Mabel Chilson.

The costumes were by Miss Theodosia Cox; Mrs. S. C. Du Rie assisted at the piano.

Col. Ford Assigned As Commander Here

Will Succeed Colonel Upshur Who Is Scheduled to Leave Colonia August 15th

Colonel Joseph H. Ford, Medical Corps, Regular Army, has been ordered to duty at this hospital as Commanding Officer, relieving Lieut.-Colonel Upshur. Colonel Ford has recently returned from duty with the American Expeditionary Force, and is at present on leave of absence. He is expected here about the middle of August.

Lieut.-Colonel Upshur is the only Commanding Officer this hospital has had, having arrived here in March, 1918, when the hospital was less than half completed; the hospital was organized by him, this being his second experience of the kind, as he came here from Camp Pike, Arkansas, where he organized and commanded the Base Hospital of two thousand beds.

Colonel Upshur has not as yet received any information as to his future duty and station, but is anticipating a much needed leave of absence.

Disabled Men Winning Out; College Dean Wants More

Evidence that the disabled men taking vocational training under the supervision of the Federal Board for Vocational Education are making good, accumulates daily in the offices of the Board. The Dean of a fair western college for example writes in praising the industry and application of one of the Board's students placed for training in his institution and adds "If you have any more like him, send them along." This boy had a spinal injury that paralyzed both legs. His disability is rated at 100 per cent. but he will, nevertheless, soon be ready to fill efficiently a position as accountant. The Federal Board has thousands more like him.

Another case is that of a western boy who lost an eye in the service. He has taken an eight weeks course in tractors and gas engines, and has been placed in a shop for supplementary training. After a few weeks the manager of the plant said to him, "Boy, I like the way you are taking hold here. You will get a \$40 bonus check for this month."

Any disabled soldier interested to learn what Uncle Sam will do for him should inquire at the School.

Fight Against Street Faker Is Taken Up by Col. Woods

Col. Arthur Woods, assistant to the Secretary of War, has written to the Chief of Police in every city in the United States asking for the co-operation of the police in dealing with the peddler, pan handler, and street faker in the uniform of the army and navy.

In his letter Col. Woods attacks the employers who make it possible for a discharged soldier or sailor to peddle on the streets, calling them "cooties" who do this sort of thing simply to play on the public sympathy which the uniform arouses. He says that the uniform is as sacred as the flag itself and that the police forces of the country can do no finer thing than to "go to any limit to protect it."

Col. Woods states in his letter that at least 80 per cent. of the men coming out of the army and navy go straight to their homes, leaving but 20 per cent. to linger around the cities, and that but a very few of these resort to the use of the uniform for improper purposes. He describes how the chief of police in New Haven solved the problem of soldier, sailor, and marine pan handlers and cleared the town of them in twenty-four hours, indicating that the same thing can be done in almost every community.

"The Chief of Police of New Haven, Conn," the letter says, "took the bit in his own teeth, and in twenty-four hours cleared the town of all soldier, sailor and marine pan handlers. The police of New Haven control all peddling licenses, and the Chief laid down the rule that he

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Hospital Team Has A Winning Streak

By H. A. LEIGH
Sgt. 1st Cl. Med. Dept.

July 26, 1919.

After being held up for over a week by old man "St. Swenton," our baseball team got busy again, and the boys are now on the way for another long streak of wins, and every one of them say they are out to beat the old record of thirteen straight wins, and from the way they have started, they are going to make their word good.

The Newark Teachers' Club, of Newark, came here full of confidence, and put up a fairly good game for a few innings, but the wrecking crew got busy, and between an avalanche of hits, and a couple of errors won the game by a score of 5 to 2.

Below is a box score of the game:

U. S. A. G. H. No. 3, Colonia										
	AB.	R.	H.	P.O.	A.	E.				
Cunningham, 1b.	5	0	1	12	1	0				
Heffner, 2b	3	1	0	3	1	0				
Gardner, 3b	3	0	1	0	1	0				
Fetty, c	4	2	0	6	2	0				
Petronis, rf	4	0	0	1	0	0				
Barker, p	4	2	2	2	5	0				
Gowans, lf	3	0	1	1	0	0				
Picard, cf	1	0	0	0	0	0				
Witt, cf	4	0	1	1	0	0				
Ward, ss	4	0	2	1	1	1				
Total	35	5	8	27	11	1				

Newark Teachers' Club

	AB.	R.	H.	P.O.	A.	E.
McHugh, 2b	4	1	1	6	3	0
St. Thomas, cf	4	0	1	0	0	0
Kennington, 3b.	4	0	0	1	4	3
Baumann, ss-p	4	0	1	0	2	1
Henig, 1b	3	0	0	7	0	0
Hambright, rf-ss	3	0	0	1	2	0
McAuliffe, lf	3	0	0	3	0	0
Koch, c	3	0	0	6	0	1
Schwartz, p-rf	3	1	1	0	2	1
Total	31	2	4	24	13	

Score by innings:

U. S. A. G. H. No. 3, Colonia—	0	0	0	2	0	0	3	0	x—5
Newark Teachers' Club —	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	—2

Summary of the game: Two base hits, Barker 2, McHugh; base on balls, off Baumann 1, off Schwartz 1; struck out, by Barker 7, by Schwartz 6; passed ball, Koch; hit by pitcher, Henig; stolen bases, Cunningham 1, Gardner 2, Fetty 1, Baumann 2, Schwartz 1.

Notes of the Game

Barker pitched a good game, and received good support from his teammates.

Our boys only made eight hits, but they were made just when we needed them.

Hall was late arriving at the game, some one tied the GOAT LOOSE, and before the game, Hall was seen running in the direction of JERSEY CITY, the former home of "BILL."

July 27, 1919 (2 games).

(First Game. Seven innings by agreement.)

After being out of the pitcher's box since the first game of the season with a sore arm "Scotty Gowans" came back strong, by defeating the American Railroad Express team of

Newark, allowing them only four hits, and fanning twelve batters. Behind Scotty our boys played a fast game in the field, and one glance at the score in the first inning will tell the tale of what the boys did with their bats, and fast base running. A total of eleven hits, three errors, and a couple stolen bases resulted in thirteen runs in the first inning.

Below is the box score of the "MURDER."

U. S. A. G. H. No. 3, Colonia										
	AB.	R.	H.	P.O.	A.	E.				
Cunningham, 1b.	5	2	2	6	1	0				
Heffner, lf	2	2	2	0	0	0				
Dean, lf	2	1	1	0	0	0				
Gardner, 3b	4	3	0	1	0	0				
Fetty, c	2	2	1	1	1	0				
Heine, c	3	0	0	11	0	0				
Petronis, rf	2	1	1	0	0	0				
Harris, rf	3	0	1	0	0	0				
Barker, 2b	4	2	1	2	2	1				
Gowans, p	4	1	2	0	2	0				
Witt, cf	4	2	4	0	0	0				
Picard, ss	4	1	1	0	1	1				
Total	37	17	16	21	7	2				

American Railroad Express

	AB.	R.	H.	P.O.	A.	E.
Kane, lf	3	1	1	3	1	1
Tranzblan, ss	3	0	1	2	1	1
Ackison, 1b	4	0	1	6	0	2
Grainer, 2b	4	0	1	2	1	1
Flanagan, cf-rf	3	0	0	0	0	0
Dempsey, cf-p	1	0	0	0	0	2
Smith, 3b	3	0	0	0	2	2
Boettsinger, c	2	0	0	5	0	0
Rau, p-rf	1	0	0	0	2	0
Total	24	1	4	17	7	9

Score by innings:

U. S. A. G. H. No. 3, Colonia—	13	0	0	0	1	3	x—17
American R. R. Express—	0	0	0	0	0	0	1—1

Summary of the game: Three base hits, Gowans; two base hits, Petronis; home runs, Fetty, Witt; struck out, by Gowans 12, by Dempsey 4; base on balls, off Gowans 6, off Rau 1; hit by pitcher, Boettsinger; stolen bases, Cunningham 1, Gardner 3, Harris 2.

Notes of the Game.

Scotty had too much speed for the opposing batters, and proved to the rooters that his arm was even stronger than ever.

Every man batted twice in the first inning, then Manager Captain Buck gave the substitutes a chance, and they all made good. Heine caught a steady game behind the bat, and Dean in left field made a hit and scored a run, and Harris (a new man in right field) showed he was a player, by placing a single, and his throwing to the bases was classy.

Fetty and Witt each made homers.

It would be hard to mention any particular batting star as the boys all had their eyes on the ball, and drove the ball to all corners of the lot.

July 27, 1919.

(Second game seven innings by agreement.)

The strong Rahway Federals, one of the best amateur teams in this part of the country, and who have a great reputation, could not solve the masterly pitching of Heffner, while our boys made it so hot for Smith, the Federal's star pitcher, that he only lasted two innings, and the other pitchers didn't fair much better. The Colonia boys won their third straight game by the score of 10 to 0, getting

thirteen hits for a total of twenty bases.

Below is the box score:

U. S. A. G. H. No. 3, Colonia										
	AB.	R.	H.	P.O.	A.	E.				
Cunningham, 1b.	4	2	3	10	0	0				
Heffner, p	3	0	1	0	0	0				
Gardner, 3b	3	1	1	1	4	2				
Fetty, c	4	3	3	6	1	0				
Petronis, rf-2b	4	1	1	1	2	0				
Barker, 2b	3	1	2	2	2	0				
Heine, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0				
Gowans, lf	3	1	1	0	1	0				
Witt, cf	3	1	1	1	0	0				
Picard, ss	2	0	0	0	1	0				
Total	30	10	13	21	11	2				

Rahway Federals.

	AB.	R.	H.	P.O.	A.	E.
Thorne, 2b	3	0	1	1	1	1
Mossman, c	4	0	0	5	0	0
Closs, lf-1b	3	0	1	2	0	0
Dumphy, rf	3	0	0	1	0	0
Ford, ss	3	0	1	1	0	0
Mackel, cf-p	3	0	0	1	2	1
Bedow, 1b-p-cf	3	0	1	5	1	0
Mainzer, 3b	3	0	1	1	0	0
Smith, p-lf	3	0	1	1	2	0
Total	28	0	6	18	6	2

Score by innings:

U. S. A. G. H. No. 3, Colonia—	3	1	5	1	0	0	x—10
Rahway Federals—	0	0	0	0	0	0	—0

Summary of the game: Two base hits, Mackel; three base hits, Barker, Heffner; home runs, Fetty; base on balls, off Heffner, 1, off Smith 1; struck out, by Heffner 5, by Smith 3; earned runs, Colonia 6.

Notes of the Game.

Fetty made his second home run of the afternoon in the fourth.

Cunningham, Barker and Petty had their eyes on the ball, Cunningham getting three singles, Fetty two singles and a homer, and Barker a three bagger and a single.

Barker's three-bagger in the first with the sacks loaded took the PEP out of the Federals.

Heffner had good control, only walking one man, and when the Federals hit the ball they very seldom got it past the infield, our outfield having only 1 put out. The Federals had some heavy batters, but SPOT HEFFNER had too much on the ball.

This is our third straight, only ten more to tie our old record for straight wins, and eleven to beat it. Here's hoping for the best. Three pitchers all going good, the team batting the ball for keeps, playing fast ball in the field, running bases wild. "Ask Dad, He Knows."

Hall and Sam were a little out of order, some one has their GOAT.

July 28, 1919.

Just to give the baseball fans an idea how the Hospital team is slug, ging the ball below is a complete record of batting average of each player from the first league game to the second game of July 27th, included.

Name	G.	AB.	H.	BA.	R.
Barker	14	54	23	.426	19
Witt	14	55	22	.400	11
Fetty	14	57	20	.351	22
Cunningham	14	60	20	.333	17
Gowans	14	56	18	.321	10
Petrons	14	54	17	.315	17
Heffner	14	52	14	.270	15
Gardner	14	54	10	.185	14
Ward	10	30	5	.167	4

Team batting average .316.

Average runs per game 9.

Record of stolen bases for 14 games:

Name	SB.
Gardner	21
Petronis	12
Cunningham	10
Heffner	9
Fetty	7
Barker	7
Gowans	6
Witt	9
Ward	4
Total	85

Average of 6 stolen bases per game.

Barker leads the team in batting, with Witt next.

Fetty has scored the most runs, and Barker second.

Gardner leads in stolen bases, Petronis is second.

Changes In Regulation For Battle Clasps of Medals

The following changes have been made in the regulations governing awards of Battle Clasps of the War Service Medal, known as the Victory Medal:

Battle clasps will be awarded for each of the major operations and for occupation of defensive sectors. Only one defensive sector clasp will be awarded to any individual. To be eligible to receive a battle clasp the officer or enlisted man must have been actually present, under competent orders, with his organization during its period of engagement.

Each officer or enlisted man serving in the First Army area between August 30 and November 11, 1918; in the Second Army area between October 12 and November 11, 1918, will be entitled to a defensive sector clasp, irrespective of awards for major operations. Each officer or enlisted man serving in an area under French, British or Italian command between April 6, 1917, and November 11, 1918, will be entitled to a defensive sector clasp.

Those present in engagements in European Russia since August 1, 1918, or in Siberia since August 15, 1918, will be entitled to defensive sector clasps.

Fight Against Street Faker Is Taken Up by Col. Woods

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would issue peddling licenses to every discharged soldier, sailor, and marine who applied, but to none in uniform. Then he sent somebody around to the agencies which had been utilizing discharged men to panhandle and peddle for them, and pointed out the provisions of the Federal law applying to the improper use of the uniform. This happened in the course of one morning. That night there wasn't a discharged service panhandler in New Haven. For several weeks before this they had been a pest."

When you have read OVER HERE mail it to the folks at home.

DISCHARGE OF OFFICERS

A telegram of interest to all officers commissioned for the emergency, dated July 3, says:

"Appropriation for support of the Army makes it necessary that immediate and energetic steps be taken by you to expedite reduction of commissioned personnel. By September 30, 1919, it will be necessary that a peace time strength of commissioned personnel as provided by the National Defense Act be reached and that officers of permanent establishment be returned to their regular grade. All officers holding only commissions for the emergency, including application for permanent appointment, will be discharged on or before that date. The Commanding Officers of all Departments, Ports of Embarkations, Chiefs of all Staff Corps and the Commanding Officer of all camps and military stations not under jurisdiction of any of the above will take immediate steps to reduce the duties of commissioned personnel under their jurisdiction and to cause discharge of officers holding only emergency commissions as rapidly as possible and in such manner that all will be discharged on or before September 30th"

PRIZES WON IN GYM.

The contests were held in Physio-Therapy Gym every day from July 7th to July 23rd, under direction of Sgt. G. J. Altman, Cpl. T. Barker, Capt. Weibell, Red Cross.

All prizes were donated by the Red Cross.

Foul shooting contest—Simmons, Ward, 14, winner; won on throw off with C. W. Smith; prize, fountain pen.

Chinning—Simmons, Ward 14, winner; prize, pocket knife and case.

Quoits—Combarto, Ward 5, winner; prize, folding camera.

Artificial leg contest—Brockmeyer, Ward 26, winner; prize, cigaret case.

Shot put (12-lb.)—C. W. Smith, Ward 18, winner; prize, fountain pen.

Standing hop—Simmons, Ward 14, winner; prize, pocket knife and case.

Standing broad jump—C. W. Smith, Ward 18, winner; prize, folding camera.

Baseball target throw—Tie between Nagel and C. W. Smith; Nagel, Ward 18, winner on throw off; prize, fountain pen.

Miss Ruth V. Pope, formerly office secretary of the educational service, in ward 30, who was transferred on May 15 to the Surgeon General's office at Washington, D. C., has been promoted to Supervisor of Aides. All the statistical data for reports and publications relative to physical reconstruction is compiled by Miss Pope.

RED CROSS.

The brilliant feature Melrose, "Whom the Gods Destroy," was shown at the House one night last week a wonderful picture in respects and all those who fortunate enough to see it enjoyed it immensely.

Prior to the picture Messel and Spooner, of the staff, whooped things up "Sing." Song sheets were and all the boys had a royal

The Colonia vaudeville shown again, this time for tents.

Ward and Reilly opened in their own inimitable way were followed by Casper & ley in a clever musical bit.

Maxim A. Maximoff, whose a strong man is known the over, did his own unit

"Max," who is a big favorite Colonia audiences, received ovation. Mr. Weibell

with his "Men Re-modelled" which twelve of our wounded boys did squad drill on

"Doc" then gave a very interesting talk on the possibilities of complete reconstruction in amputated cases.

DISCONTINUE REPORTS.

To curtail paper work at army hospitals, Surgeon General Ireland has ordered the discontinuance of six reports previously required from the hospitals. The reports to be discontinued are:

Classification of surgical personnel.

Special reports by Chief of Head Surgery service.

Fire protection report.

Operations of orthopedic service.

Admissions, discharges, consultations and general report of Orthopedic service.

Report of overseas surgical cases.

Number of Men Interested In Civil Service Positions

The selection of public employees on a basis of merit and efficiency through open and competitive examination, has resulted in a greatly improved public service system where that never again with the "spoils system" be tolerated by the intelligent citizenship of any community. From a country that began the Federal civil service law was extended until it now covers practically all employees of the Government. The fact that in the city of Chicago it is estimated that there are at the present time about 10,000 civil service positions is a testimony to the fact that the public service system is a great improvement over the spoils system.

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Hospital Team Has A Winning Streak

By H. A. Stephens

Col. 1st Col. Med. Dept.

July 22, 1919.

After being held up for over a week by the men of the division, our hospital team has now been sent to the front line for an extended stay. The men of the division are now in the line, and the hospital team is now in the line. The men of the division are now in the line, and the hospital team is now in the line.

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STAND TOGETHER.

Henry Hohenzollern, brother of the former Emperor of Germany, solemnly protests the innocence of the woodchopper of Amerongen.

"I can testify," he declares in a telegram recently dispatched to King George of Great Britain, "that the Kaiser and his councillors endeavored by every means to avert the war."

Official Germany always has been willing to testify to anything and everything needed to advance the interests of the reigning class in that country.

Between the "testimony" of the ex-prince and proof of his assertions would loom, however, a broad gap, which the unsupported assertions of Teutonic officialdom could not bridge.

Incidentally, however, Henry's telegram and the assertions of Von Bethmann-Hollweg and Hindenburg indicate how extremely difficult it would be to convict the Kaiser of anything—except, perhaps, of losing the war.

Von Bethmann-Hollweg, former chancellor, is prepared to assume full responsibility for the diplomatic and civilian acts of the German war-time government.

Hindenburg has announced that he dictated the proclamations relating to war policies that the Emperor signed.

The latter's sons and a few score of princelings and kinglets from minor German states are reported to be preparing for an invasion of London, with a view to assuming responsibility at the trial of William Hohenzollern for anything not covered by the assertions of Bethmann-Hollweg and Hindenburg.

With every witness for the defense cheerfully lying to confound the British court, what kind of a spectacle would such a trial offer the world?

It is significant, perhaps, that a considerable body of public opinion in England is

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ing the government, in cooperation with the other Allied powers, to forget its trials and arrange to domicile the Kaiser and his half-wit son on some remote island without the formality of an arraignment.

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THE DREAM OF THE WORLD.

The search for happiness is man's eternal quest. In all times, happiness has been the aspiration, the hope, the dream of the world. The history of civilization is the story of man's changing ideals and standards of felicity, his groping from crude beginnings toward a more perfect realization of the liberty and security, the peace and opportunity that are essential to a happy life.

We are reckoning the gains and losses of the greatest of wars, but the true test of the outcome may be applied in the simplest phrases: Is the world kinder? Is it more just and merciful? Is it a happier world than it was before?

Despair wins no battles, either among nations or in the individual soul. By believing that the world is a better world today than it was yesterday, we do much to make it so. Since roses last reddened on the wall, we of America have suffered much and learned much. We have shown ourselves slow to smite but quick to save. We stand four-square to every wind that blows, a people of cheerful yesterdays and confident tomorrows. Love, not hate, is the burden of America's song.

Only those things that make for happiness—in your heart and my heart and in the heart of nations—are of the kingdom of things that are eternal.

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MAKING A MUDDLE.

Many times we fail to achieve results when we have worked our hardest, and we realize that our hard work and lack of success went hand in hand. Yet we have the feeling that real effort was justified and that some unexplained factor was responsible for turning out ambitious driving force to contrary purpose.

In most cases of making a muddle by the very intensity of our endeavor, the explanation is simple. The trouble is in our self-consciousness, in the diversion of energy from the task we have undertaken to our own pet method of working.

It happens frequently when we have set about to do something new, or unusual, or by which we expected to be judged, we strain every faculty toward displaying skill and making patent our ability. It is then that we are most likely to fall down on the job. We are putting our best energies into self-display, rather than into the whole-hearted accomplishment of our undertaking.

When you find that you are working hard and failing to get results, just see if you are not putting too much thought into self and too little into your work.

The casualty lists of the first dry wave are not so heavy as predicted.

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The day must seem a long one to the ex-soldier with no leggins to wrap.

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We're glad that Japan is going to give up Kiao-Chau because we never knew how to spell it anyhow.

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It may be that with all the advancement in aviation we will soon demand heavier-than-air political speeches.

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Every man should caution his wife against the use of 23% beverages; it is a bad habit and one can never keep enough in the house for two.

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The Corpsmen, after having seen Pandora's Box, noticed that every possible character was represented but Honorable Discharge.

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When all is said and done old John R. Ether usually has the last word in a hospital.

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MEN.

The snappy men, the happy men, who heard the bugle call—

Who reckoned not the reason—who gave their lives and all.

The swinging men, the singing men—the cadence of the road—

The joyful song of conquest, lending lightness to the load.

The landing men, the standing men—the hours in the rain—

The endless, anxious waiting for the transport or the train.

The striving men, the driving men, who put the business through—

Relentless in their purpose, which was but to die or do.

The leaping men, the creeping men, the stealthy, stern patrol—

The star-shell in the darkness striking fear into the soul.

The flying men, the dying men, upon the battlefield—

The craven and the hero in the light of day revealed.

The broken men, soft-spoken men, who felt the cannon's breath—

Who trod the Vale of Sacrifice and touched the hand of Death.

The graver men, the braver men, back in our arms once more,

Bring brighter revelations than we ever knew before.

—WILLIAM V. V. STEPHENS.
Eleventh Engineers, U. S. A.

American Legion a Potent Factor For Public Good

We note several organizations similar to The Grand Army of the Republic vying for the enrollment of discharged soldiers, sailors and marines. At present the American Legion, the recognized official organization, seems to be making the greatest headway, having already over 500,000 members. A bill has been introduced incorporating The American Legion. The War Department has officially recognized The American Legion and intends to give them every aid consistently possible.

Eli Root, Gen. Pershing and others of equal prestige have pledged their support. The chairman of the executive committee, Mr. H. D. Lindsey, was director of the War Risk Insurance Bureau, having resigned that position to take up this work. He has proven himself the friend of all soldiers, resigning the government work when hindered in carrying out the provisions of the War Risk Insurance Act in favor of the wounded soldiers. Mr. G. P. Putman, one of the largest publishers in New York, is operating the official magazine, a very creditable paper, with many topics of common interest and which is now on sale at all news-stands.

There is strength in Union. The American Legion, a wonderful organization, will prove a potent factor, and of great value in all public work and policies. On a basis of absolute equality for every man we shall maintain and strengthen the bonds of mutual welfare for all ex-soldiers, sailors and marines.

This need of a continued effort and organization on our part will become more evident as the wounded grow older and men seek from their Government opportunities for betterment of all social conditions. The American Legion has several exceptional men in Washington at present guarding the interests of soldiers; among whom is Mr. Luke Lea, of Tennessee, at one time the youngest Senator in the United States, and an ex-colonel of this army, and a man who is broad-minded, clear-sighted and generous enough to devote his whole time to the difficult and necessary task of revising faulty legislation.

Every man should pledge his support and allegiance to The American Legion which will preserve the freedom and love of democracy for which we fought.

WAIT AND SEE.

"I notice a good deal in the papers about our soldiers taking up farming when they return from overseas," musingly said honest Farmer Hornbeak, "so probably by this time next year I'll be deferentially saying, 'Pardon me, Colonel, but the dinner horn has just blown,' or a trifle more briskly, 'Captain, them hogs is out again,' or yelling in no certain terms, 'Lieutenant, dad-durn your ornery picture, do you want to lay abed all day?'"

Miss Florence Smith, educational aide, of Washington, D. C., has reported here for duty with the educational service.

Restoring Use of Soldiers' Hand

Restoration of the use of hands of soldiers injured by shells, bullets or other missiles is being accomplished at Army hospitals by a unique method devised by Major H. R. Allen, Med. Corps. It is an instantaneous process of reshaping tool handles so that they may be used by deformed or crippled hands, and is the most recent of the ingenious inventions of Major Allen, which have included various appliances for the treatment of fractures, dislocations and deformities. The application of the newest invention is far-reaching, making for prompt improvement in the use of crippled or deformed hands.

Many of the experiments conducted by Major Allen in the development of this system were made at the Walter Reed Hospital in Washington, where moving pictures were taken of the soldiers on whom experiments were tried. Six enlisted men, who had received wounds in the left hand, were the objects of the first test. Their wounded hands were entirely healed, but their grasp remained so weak that the hand was practically useless. The new method is based on the principle that to gain the use of a crippled hand the member must be systematically used, exercised and constantly flexed and extended. This gives strength to the fingers and palm and compels the muscles and tendons to function. To exercise the wounded hand a gelatine mole of the clasped hand is prepared, the hand is closed upon it, and this mold may be carried about in the hand without inconvenience or undue notice. By constantly squeezing and releasing the mold, the hand receives the kind of exercise required to restore its use and wounded hands rapidly regain their faculties under this treatment.

To enable the soldier to use the injured hand a rough model of the hand may be cast in plastic gelatine or modeling composition such as is used by dentists in plate work, which model may be carried by the patient and used in grasping any object desired. Another way is to shape the form of the hand in a like plastic mold over the surface of tools or other articles whose use is desired. These models are made to fit the hand, and being soft and pliable may be made to fit over any article, such

as a knife or fork, to enable the soldier to use the injured member in eating, or on a hammer or other tool. The composition of the mold is of such a character that it can be remade into any form desired. It becomes soft and plastic when placed in hot water, but will not melt or run. When softened and a mold is made it can be retained by plunging the substance in cold water, the mold becoming hard and brittle as some forms of amorphous rock or more like terra cotta or some kinds of glass. This process of reshaping the mold may be gone over any number of times without loss or deterioration of the substance.

For instance, to reinforce a hammer and prepare it for use by a wounded hand, the desired quantity of gelatine or molding composition is made into a mold and dipped in hot water. By squeezing and modeling it becomes plastic and is fitted around the handle of the tool, where the user will grasp it. The wounded hand seizes this mass of soft compound and presses the palm and fingers into it until they are comfortably closed and the maximum of grasping capacity brought into play. The molded handle is then dipped into cold water, which sets the mold. The patient discovers that he can readily pick up a nail with his sound hand and drive it with the one in which he holds the reinforced tool. As the hand improves the grasp becomes closer and stronger, the form of the molded handle can be altered by the patient by dipping it in hot water, without detaching it from the tool handle. He can squeeze it with the wounded hand until a well fitting, comfortable handle is molded, and then fit it by the immersion in cold water. In the same way a model of a hand may be made for a soldier who has lost that member, and it can be fitted to hold any tool or instrument. The user may hold a fork, pencil or pen, use a typewriter, or work in all sorts of useful ways. All that is required is to plunge the hand in hot water, mold it to the new tool and dip it in cold water to set the mold. There is seemingly no end to the possibilities of this method for wounded soldiers and its use is becoming general among the wounded men in Army hospitals.

SPEAKING OF STRINGING.

Miss Sawyer, of the Mercy House Canteen, always ready to do little favors for the boys, started toward the Canteen with a long list of articles. On the way she encountered Lieut. Chapman. "Can't I bring you something from the Canteen?" she asked. "Yes," answered the Lieutenant, "Bring me ten cents worth of 'Skirmish Line.'"

She tripped gayly into the Colonia Park & Tilford's and after asking Serg't. Robinson for the Skirmish Line, returned with an infantry hat cord.

Why wait to learn everything by experience? Save time by making use of the other fellow's experience—in other words read practical books on your job. You can borrow them from the A. L. A. Vocational Library.

SENSE OF LOCATION.

An officer was wounded and taken to a French hospital. Every day the doctor probed the wound, which kept it inflamed and sore. After eleven days of this treatment, the patient, who could not speak French, beckoned to his buddy in the next bed, a French lad who could speak English, and asked him to find out why the doctor probed his leg every day. The man did so and returned to the suffering man with this explanation:

"He says he is looking for the bullet."

"Well, why in hell don't they ask me for it. I have it in my trouser pocket."

"The world will never forget What they did—it is for The living to consecrate Themselves to the unfinished task." —Lincoln.

Number of Men Interested In Civil Service Positions

The selection of public employees on a basis of merit and fitness, through open and competitive examinations, has resulted in so greatly improving the public service everywhere, that never again will the "spoils system" be tolerated by the intelligent citizenship of any American community. From a comparatively small beginning the Federal civil service has been extended until it now covers practically all employees of the Government. The extent of the civil service may be shown by the fact that in the city of Chicago it is estimated that there are at the present time about 40,000 civil service employees.

Appointments in the classified civil service possesses many desirable features over private employment. The salaries are usually higher than those paid for similar work in private employ; automatic annual increases in salary are provided by law; annual vacations and sick leave with pay are granted; the work is pleasant and agreeable, and the hours are short. Thus, with a lifetime job and probable retirement on pension in later years, the classified civil service offers a most attractive field.

If you have had any experience in a trade or profession there is a very wide range of positions from which to choose. During the past week Sergeant Dieruff has aided men in filling out application blanks for such positions as senior cost accountant, lay inspector, storekeeper, coal yard foreman, sign painter, etc. Positions that require previous experience require no written examination; merely fill out the application blank. When are you going to fill out yours?

If you have had no experience in any particular line you can qualify for a position in any clerical branch of the service in the Civil Service Department, Ward 30, The School. If you are at all interested in any branch of the civil service call at The School and have an interview with Sergeant Dieruff. At present men are working with Sergeant Dieruff to prepare to pass the examinations for mail carrier, post office clerk, custom house inspector, clerk at Washington, D. C. Salaries ranging from \$1,000 to \$1,800 per year.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Chermol, Sr., accompanied by their youngest son, motored from Wilkes-Barre, Pa., last week in order to visit their son, Thomas, who is stationed at this Post. They visited the hospital and then continued their journey, their goal being an extended tour of New England.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

Sunday

8:30 a. m. Mass. } Chaplain Reilly
6:15 a. m. Mass. }
10:30 a. m. Protestant Services
Chaplain Leach

All above services are held in Chapel, rear of Ward 5, connecting with corridor.

8:00 p. m. Evening Service in Y. M. C. A.

Friday

7:15 p. m. Jewish Services in Chapel

BARRACK BUNK.

Barrack 2 presents a spectacular appearance at Reveille. Expressions of all kinds are uttered audibly—BUT, all hands get up for said formation.

Mulcahey has written a song entitled, "Let's hang out the service flag, father has gone to work."

Bruce has certainly improved as a Ward Master since rehearsing with "Don't Worry." He dances in and out the kitchen all day and occasionally tangles back and forth across the top of the refrigerator.

Pvt. Frank Ward, of the Laundry, attributes his clean appearance to his constant use of Babbitt's Soap. He enjoys from 2 to 5 cakes a day. His slogan is, "Will you join me in a cake of soap?"

Pat Fox and O'Malley are busy men at the K. of C. dance nights. But they sure can mix Punch. O'Malley claims that he is the champion Punch Hound of Puddled Dock, New Hampshire.

Pat Fox was drinking soup at the Mercy House one day last week when the Fire Department in Newark mistook the noise for an alarm.

Pvt. Reilly blossomed forth in new costumes the night of the "Don't Worry" show at the Red Cross House. They were real unique. Sergt. Nachtman is to be thanked as the Designer.

Private Azus will soon return from Kalamazoo, Mich. The smiling Physio-therapist has been missing for just ten days. He must like Michigan atmosphere.

Butler, the last word in "Barberism" at the Post, is famed for his happy faculty of borrowing Sergt. Bode's and Faxon's hats. Last week he used said hats only seven days.

Sistek, of the Ambulance Garage, has put in considerable time of late learning the gentle art of shovelling dirt into Cappolina's new wheel-barrow just imported from "Philly."

Have you seen the Waggers in their new chevrons? They sure are works of art: a wheel and a spoke.

Bender, of the Medical Department, has spent quite some time with the patients of late. It is rumored that he has gone into Red Cross work.

When it comes to clever Discussion Squad I, Barrack 2, wins the Brown Derby. Private Tierney is always the center of attraction there.

Why does Ward, of the Laundry, insist upon enjoying all the comforts of home in Barrack 5? He has everything from a Ukelele to a Keith's contract hanging up behind his bunk.

Tommy Chermol, of the "clean 'em up boys" at the laundry, endeavored to demonstrate his ability as a chauffeur from Rahway to Coney Island. Perhaps the remainder of the family can tell us more about the trip.

THE OPEN WINDOW.

The ambulance garage outfit gave the Editor the customary garage treatment the other day, viz., throwing him through the window. They say they are going to "get" the Adv. Mgr. next—if they can lift him. The latest throwout occurred when the ambulance men were told, after offering a picture of the crowd, that OVER HERE does not have a comic supplement. May their punctures increase!

WARD ROOMERS.

Ward II.

Kennedy: Somebody passed a counterfeit dime on me a week ago and I haven't been able to get rid of it since.

Collier: What, don't you ever go to church?

Paradis, Ward II: Well, what kind of a girl is she?

Johnson, also of II: The kind that everybody says will make a good wife for someone, some day.

The porch of VI still continues to be the stamping ground of the social elite of the ward. Weatherspoon, Moss, "Italian" Lester and one or two others are having matters arranged in order to stem off the constant tide of visitors.

Forest, of Ward VI, seems to be the chief "bead maker" in the Hospital. He has made beads for everybody this side of Newark. His one objection is that very few of his customers understand the meaning of "Cash on Delivery."

Ward VI announces the arrival of Pvt. Jimmy McGee. He will assist Louis Scheurer, the little "thin" boy from Elizabeth.

Ward XII was the scene of a little impromptu party one day last week. "Orderly" Reilly, Sergt. Murphy, Pachtman, Van Went and O'Connor all took part in a big basket of Fruit and enjoyed Morgan's yodeling.

Ward V.

Donovan: Do you think that you could learn to love me?

Fair Visitor: And keep up with all my other engagements?

Sgt. Parr—Do you read the ads in the street cars?

Sgt. Gallant—Why, yes.

Sgt. Parr—Well, that's what they are for.

Quackenbush—What's the matter with you? Can't you talk?

Dugas—No, my arm is broken.

Colina, of Ward 26, has an original way of answering roll call when Lieutenant Hart calls his name. He always says, "Yes ma'am."

Sergt. Heath to Patient: "Young man, you shouldn't drink liquor. Do the same as I do. Whenever I feel like taking a drink I eat an apple."

Patient: "That's all right Sarge, but who the deuce can eat 20 or 30 apples a day?"

Billingsley, of Ward 17, tried to compete with the orderly in 16 by carrying eight trays and letting the two top trays fall and allowing a potato to fall on his head, according to an account given by "Reporter Jimmie." While his upper story was not badly damaged, the attempt was pronounced a failure.

THAT'S EASY

The Ward Surgeon of 26 posted a sign saying, "Patients must be in bed at 9 o'clock for inspection unless otherwise excused." The boys very cleverly added to it and made it read, "Patients must be in bed at 9 o'clock for inspection unless; otherwise excused for a beer party."

IS THE CORN—ET?

Dolin: Is that you, Kelele?

Kelele: No, it's a man—Dolin.



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K. OF C.

Sunday evening, July 27th, Ned Clifford, of Jersey City, and other professional talent entertained the boys with a high class bill of vaudeville. "Babies" Muriel and Ruth carried off all honors and were very much appreciated by the boys. After the show packages were distributed by the Daughters of Isabella.

Mrs. Mannion, from Jersey City, gave an evening of good entertainment when she escorted some girls to the K. of C. house for a delightful dance this week. She intends giving a sail up the Hudson River soon.

The Girls' Patriotic League again furnished our boys a good evening's enjoyment at a dance. Abundance was the word in both girls and refreshments. Even O'Malley dropped his broom and sneaked in a dance.

Parties to Asbury Park are being arranged every day by Secretary Joe Dultz. The patients may stay the full length of their passes. See the Secretary and have him arrange for your dip in the sea.

Watch for the K. of C. souvenir match cases.

NURSES DISCHARGED.

The following Nurses have been discharged during the past week: Misses Mary E. Doyle, Helen N. Hughes, Edith J. Welton, Etta R. Hunt, Kathryn V. Carroll, Edith M. Morris, Catherine Dillon, Anna C. Tompkins, Ruth Cook, Jessie Ball, Lily M. Gill, Irma O'Mara.

Miss C. O'Grady has been transferred to General Hospital No. 21 for further duty.

The Nurses' Training School has been transferred to Fox Hills, Staten Island.



PATIENTS RESTING, WHILE THE UKELELE WORKS, IN THE RED CROSS HOUSE.

—Photo by Captain Treichler.

HOSPITAL MEMORANDUM

It is desired to bring to the attention of the enlisted men on duty at this hospital who are without dependents and who have not fixed positions in civil life, the advantages of re-enlisting in the Medical Department for one year, for duty at this hospital.

With the unsettled conditions now existing in this country, the high cost of living, the lack of demand for labor and the large number of unemployed, it is believed to be highly desirable for the class of

men noted above to re-enlist immediately for one year.

Arrangements are now being made by which all men of the Medical Department and other enlisted men on the post will be allowed to take advantage of the splendid educational service being conducted at this hospital. To any man possessing the average amount of ambition, this is a factor that should not be overlooked. Many of the patients who have enrolled in the service have, in spite of their disabilities, more than doubled their earning capacity.

Attention is invited to the advan-

PROMOTIONS.

The following promotions in the Detachment, Medical Department, are announced, effective this date. They will be obeyed and respected accordingly:

To be Sergeant 1st Class, Medical Department: Sgt. William H. Roberts, Med. Dept., vice Sgt. Crabtree, Med. Dept., discharged.

To be Sergeant, Medical Department: Corp. Edgar T. Randolph, Med. Dept., vice Sgt. Roberts, Med. Dept., promoted.

To be Corporal, Medical Department: Pvt. 1st Otto J. Precht, Med. Dept., vice Corp. Randolph, Med. Dept., promoted.

tages of service in the Medical Department—comfortable quarters, excellent food, athletic facilities, educational department, open air life, good pay, the best medical attention if sick and facilities provided by welfare organizations.

There are excellent chances for promotion, as many of the present non-commissioned staff will be discharged. Men who have had service here will have the advantages of the new recruits who will be enlisted.

Enlisted men who are now patients in the hospital, and who will recover without disability, should also consider this opportunity.

Men discharged who re-enlist immediately will receive the Government \$60.00 bonus, five cents a mile to place of enlistment, all back pay and allowances. In addition, they will be granted one month furlough on full pay and commutation of rations.

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